Jear Jim, 8/13/72

Supposedly, and I think in reality, you are revising the draft of the petition. For that reason, and with consideration for your time and effeciency I wish you could learn it does not hurt you to think of and extend to others, I have made a carbon of the listening to the last of the Ray tapes. I don't recall a bigger mess in my life and I am quite unhappy about the totally unnecessary wastes of time. However, I'm mailing this to you even though I expect to be in DC Tuesday, for I suspect you'll be working at home and I'll take the ribbon copy with me in the event I get near Bud's office.

I've done an awful lot of unpaid work in the past for just this moment that I think has been ignored and as I've indicated, I find myself wondering why in the hell I was asked to do it and why in the hell I did. There are some things in the transcripts of the pre-minitrial hearings you missed and at least some I know I had noted.

We must all learn from this xperience. The amount of time wasted is at least as great as the time required for the drafting of the petition, greater by far than the drafting itself. This need not and s ould not be. One of the costs is a petition that as of my last knowledge is less by far than it could and with your competence should have been. One of the consequences I fear it is emotional effect on you, making a drag of what should have been a real challenge and a welcomed opportunity. Nobody likes rehashing the same thing, especially when we all have so much we want to do and can't find time to get to.

I don't mean this to be offensive. But your simply got to learn to have some consideration for others, their time and feelings. And you are so damned bright it is incredible that you seem to make almost a fetish of ineffeciency, the simplest and most incredible immediate example being not numbering the Ray tapes in sequence, less than a half-second per side as you made them.

I won't taken them back until I know I can hand them to you.

I have spoken to Bud about overloading you. He has agreed to let you finish one thing at a time at least until this petition and the addenda are completed.

A thunderstorm is about to hit, but I'm taking this to mail to you now so you may be able to get it earlier.

If there is anything about which you want to talk, fine. But I don't want to see any more of the draft until it is completed and we can then go over it. This is not only in the interest of saving time, which is a dominating factor, but because of something you may have learned, that the more often you go over something, especially where there must be disciminatoon between source and draft, the more difficult it becomes to remember what is in and what is out of any revision and more probable, the inability to distinguish completely enough between what is in the mind and what is on paper.

None of this is to suggest that I don't expect the end product to be a fine job.

Hastily,